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Dear Ms. Houston:

The purpose of this letter is to provide written comments on the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study for the Lees Lane Landfill in Jefferson County, Kentucky. The comments are listed below.

- 1. The RI/FS program has been thorough and appears to have sufficient scope to define the on-site environmental problems. Greg Shank, Arnie Ostrofsky, and the NUS team are commended for their efforts on this project.
- 2. The only area that appears to remain in question is the air study that is currently underway. The State has not received a scope of work on this activity or obtained any results of the efforts to date. Please provide us with the details of the proposed work and results to date on this activity. We would also appreciate the opportunity to help define the work-needed in this air study. Finally, since this study is being developed by the Centers for Disease Control, we would appreciate receiving the written comments of CDC on the Public Health Assessment conducted by NUS.
- 3. Kentucky would like to request that it be allowed to participate with EPA in the final selection of the chosen remedial alternative for Lee's Lane Landfill site. Based on the information available for review at this time, the "Gas Collection and Monitoring Plus Bank Protection Controls" Alternative (Alternative No. 3) appears to be the best remedial action. The results of the air study, however, must be evaluated before deciding on the recommended alternative.

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We sincerely appreciate the efforts of EPA and its contractors on this project, and we also appreciate the opportunity to comment on the RI/FS.

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